

EMSA 2020 Legislative Summary

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[AB 1544](#) ([Gipson D](#)) **Community Paramedicine or Triage to Alternate Destination Act.**

Introduced: 2/22/2019

Last Amend: 8/25/2020

Status: 9/25/2020-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 138, Statutes of 2020.

Location: 9/25/2020-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would establish within the Emergency Medical Services System and the Prehospital Emergency Medical Care Personnel Act until January 1, 2024, the Community Paramedicine or Triage to Alternate Destination Act of 2020. The bill would authorize a local EMS agency to develop a community paramedicine or triage to alternate destination program, as defined, to provide specified community paramedicine services. The bill would require the authority to develop, and after approval by the Commission on Emergency Medical Services, adopt regulations and establish minimum standards for the development of those programs. The bill would require the director of the authority, on or before March 1, 2021, to establish a community paramedicine and triage to alternate destination oversight advisory committee to advise the authority on the development and oversight of specialties for those programs.

[AB 2092](#) ([Rodriguez D](#)) **Emergency ambulance employees: subsidized protective gear.**

Introduced: 2/5/2020

Last Amend: 7/16/2020

Status: 9/28/2020-Vetoed by Governor.

Location: 9/28/2020-A. VETOED

Summary: Would require an emergency ambulance provider to establish a voluntary personal protective equipment (PPE) program that allows for the purchase of subsidized multithreat body protective gear that is bullet, strike, slash, and stab resistant by an emergency ambulance employee pursuant to an employer-funded stipend, and authorize an employee to voluntarily participate in a PPE program and to wear the PPE while on duty. The bill would require a provider to inform an employee of the opportunity to purchase subsidized multithreat body protective gear through a PPE program.

[AB 2300](#) ([Cooper D](#)) **California Youth Football Act.**

Introduced: 2/14/2020

Last Amend: 5/18/2020

Status: 9/9/2020-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 49, Statutes of 2020.

Location: 9/9/2020-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Under the California Youth Football Act beginning January 1, 2021, a youth sports organization, as defined, that conducts a tackle football program must comply with certain requirements, including, among other things, having a licensed medical professional, which may include a state-licensed emergency medical

technician, paramedic, or higher-level licensed medical professional, present during games. Under existing law, the emergency medical technician, paramedic, or higher-level licensed medical professional is authorized to evaluate and remove a youth tackle football participant from a game who exhibits an injury, including but not limited to, a concussion or other head injury. This bill would additionally authorize a certified emergency medical technician, state-licensed paramedic, or higher-level licensed medical professional to provide prehospital emergency medical care or rescue services consistent with their certification or license.

[AB 2717](#) ([Chau D](#)) Motor vehicles: unattended children: liability.

Introduced: 2/20/2020

Last Amend: 8/19/2020

Status: 9/30/2020-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 352, Statutes of 2020

Location: 9/30/2020-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would exempt a person from civil liability and criminal liability for property damage or trespass to a motor vehicle if the property damage or trespass occurs while the person is rescuing a child who is 6 years of age or younger from a motor vehicle under circumstances that reasonably could cause suffering, disability, or death to the child, if certain steps are taken during the removal. The bill would establish procedures that apply to a peace officer, firefighter, or emergency responder under those circumstances, including, but not limited to, arranging for the treatment and transport of the child according to existing policies of the local EMS agency.

Total Measures: 4

Total Tracking Forms: 4

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[AB 451](#) ([Arambula D](#)) Health care facilities: treatment of psychiatric emergency medical conditions.

Introduced: 2/11/2019

Last Amend: 7/2/2019

Status: 8/31/2020-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(18). (Last location was S. 2 YEAR on 9/15/2019)

Location: 8/31/2020-S. DEAD

Summary: Would require a psychiatric unit within a general acute care hospital, a psychiatric health facility, or an acute psychiatric hospital that has accepted a person for the purpose of determining the existence of a psychiatric medical emergency condition, to provide emergency services and care to treat that person, regardless of whether the facility operates an emergency department, provided that specified criteria are met. These requirements would not apply to a state psychiatric hospital.

[AB 664](#) ([Cooper D](#)) Workers' compensation: injury: COVID-19.

Introduced: 2/15/2019

Last Amend: 8/25/2020

Status: 8/31/2020-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(18). (Last location was S. THIRD READING on 8/26/2020)

Location: 8/31/2020-S. DEAD

Summary: Current law imposes a duty on an employer to provide certain safety materials and adopt safety practices as necessary. A failure to meet this duty, under specified circumstances, is a misdemeanor. Would, until July 1, 2024, define "injury," for certain state and local firefighting personnel, peace officers, certain correctional and law enforcement personnel, as described, certain health care employees who provide direct patient care at an acute care hospital, and certain fire and rescue services coordinators who work for the Office of Emergency Services to include illness or death resulting from COVID-19, that is diagnosed on or after January 1, 2020, if certain circumstances apply.

AB 2025 (Gipson D) Mental illness and substance use disorder: restorative care program: pilot projects.

Introduced: 1/30/2020

Last Amend: 6/4/2020

Status: 8/31/2020-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(18). (Last location was S. HEALTH on 7/1/2020)

Location: 8/31/2020-S. DEAD

Summary: The Bronzan-McCorquodale Act governs the organization and financing of community mental health services for persons with mental disorders in every county through locally administered and locally controlled community mental health programs. Current law authorizes the State Department of Health Care Services, in its discretion, to permit new programs to be developed and implemented without complying with licensure requirements established pursuant to current state law, except for requirements relating to fire and life safety of persons with mental illness. This bill would also include within that exception, requirements relating to fire and life safety of persons with alcohol or substance use disorder.

AB 2028 (Aguilar-Curry D) State agencies: meetings.

Introduced: 1/30/2020

Last Amend: 8/20/2020

Status: 8/31/2020-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(18). (Last location was S. INACTIVE FILE on 9/1/2020)

Location: 8/31/2020-S. DEAD

Summary: The Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, requires that a state body provide an opportunity for members of the public to directly address the body on each agenda item. Current law exempts from this requirement, among other things, an agenda item that has already been considered by a committee composed exclusively of members of the state body at a public meeting where members of the public were afforded an opportunity to address the committee on the item. This bill would delete this exception, thereby making the requirement to provide an opportunity to address the state body applicable to an agenda item for which the public had an opportunity to address it at a public meeting of a committee of the

state body.

Total Measures: 4

Total Tracking Forms: 4